

SEVEN NEW REPUBLICS JOIN SOVIET

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tions or forms a new League of Nations, the balance of power system will be dead. From present indications, however, it is probable that it will be continued.
FRANCE HAS OTHER TREATIES.
In addition to the international combinations, France has treaties of military alliance with Poland and Belgium.
Only one section of the Near East group of powers is now active at war—Nationalist Turkey. The Turks have been actively engaged against the Greeks in Asia Minor and there are intimations that there may be an extension of hostilities in that zone. The diplomatic correspondent of the Daily News declared today that Mustafa Kemal Pasha, head of the Turkish nationalist government at Angora, is threatening to attack Constantinople and the straits—Dardanelles and Bosphorus.
"It is probable," said the writer, "that the allies will now actively support the Greeks in Asia Minor."
A previous dispatch from Constantinople to the Daily Express had stated that Nationalist Turkey already considers herself at war against Great Britain and has warned British ships not to put into Anatolian ports.

FREIGHT RATES NOT BUILDING CHECK, SAYS R.R. OFFICIAL

Conditions in East and West About Same, Senators Told By Chambers.
By H. K. REYNOLDS.
International News Service.
Railroad freight rates are not responsible for the present stagnation in the building industry.
This statement, fortified by examples and statistics, was made to the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee today by Edward Chambers, vice president of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Company.
Chambers' testimony was concerned entirely with the effects of the horizontal percentage rate increases authorized last year by the Interstate Commerce Commission, and was offered in support of his earlier contention that improvement in the railroad situation could not be realized by a general readjustment of rates downward.
"In cities on the Pacific coast and throughout the West, South and East conditions surrounding the building industry are about the same," Chambers said. "The general report is that a comparatively small amount of building is being done. At San Francisco, Seattle and Portland, where lumber is at the door, conditions are the same as at Kansas City, Omaha, Chicago or Cleveland."
Chambers told the committee that it had been estimated that the freight rates on the material going into a \$8,300 six-room brick house in Philadelphia would be \$370, and that freight rates aggregating \$580 would be paid on the material used in a \$5,000 or \$6,000 frame dwelling house in St. Paul.

PAIR TO SWAP WIVES: EVERYBODY SATISFIED



An odd love drama is being enacted in Anderson, Ind., where the humble cottages of Gorman Huffman and his wife, Loretta, and of William Muncy and his wife, Glee, after two or three months of pleasant association it was suddenly discovered that each of the four had fallen in love with the other's mate. Divorce proceedings have been started and in the meantime the two young couples continue on the friendliest of terms.

GERMANY IS GIVEN MONTH TO DISBAND ARMY IN SILESIA

Britain Serves Emphatic Ultimatum—Brand Rejects Proposal for Early Conference.

LONDON, May 31.—Germany was today given one month in which to disband the irregular forces that have been fighting the Polish insurgents in Silesia.
Great Britain dispatched a note, couched in emphatic terms, notifying the Berlin government that the irregular forces must be demobilized by June 30.

Brand Defers Discussion.
PARIS, May 31.—Premier Lloyd-George's proposal for an immediate meeting with Premier Brand to discuss the Silesian issue was rejected by the latter today, and it now appears that a fortnight will elapse before formal inter-allied discussions are opened.

In the meantime, experts will meet in Silesia, instead of Paris, so that they can gather first hand information on the ground of the Polish-German dispute.
The British premier had suggested that if France was unwilling to open the discussions until the experts could make a report, the experts then should be sent to Silesia at once.

Germans Repulse Poles.
BERLIN, May 31.—Polish insurgents attempted to cross the Oder river near Rybnik, in Silesia, but were defeated by German volunteers, said an Oppeln dispatch to the Neue Berliner Zeitung today.
The Poles have evacuated the following towns, all of which were subsequently occupied by Germans: Walsen, Wachow, Leschna, Zembowitz, Borowian, Slawa, and Kallinowitz.
A great ovation was given by the residents of Gleiwitz to the Italian and British troops who entered the city. Officers were carried on the shoulders of enthusiastic townsmen and garlands of flowers were hung about the necks of the soldiers.

TRIBUTE TO TROOPS.
A similar demonstration of friendliness was given to the British soldiers of the Black Watch Regiment that entered Oppeln. Women and children peeped the Britishers with flowers and men waved their hats and cheered.

STILLMAN RENEWS EFFORTS TO HOIST FLAG OF TRUCE

Further Delay Sought—Meanwhile Agents Seek Flo Leeds In Rendezvous.

NEW YORK, May 31.—Renewed efforts to bring about a settlement in the divorce action of James A. Stillman against Mrs. Anne Urquhart Stillman may be under way, it was learned today.
Those who believe the former president of the National City Bank and his wife will yet adjust their differences out of court base their belief on a request of Judge Mack.

It became known yesterday that Mack, guardian of little Guy, asked that the hearings set for tomorrow and Thursday go over until June 8, 9 and 10. These close to the bank-er felt certain last night that the week's delay would be used to try to effect a settlement.

ROCKEFELLERS INTERESTED.
While the attempt to settle the trouble out of court last week failed, it is known that the Rockefeller interests are anxious that the case should be hushed up as much as possible.
Mrs. Stillman holds the trump card. First attempts of Stillman to effect a settlement were absolutely rejected by her. Those close to her insist that she will not consider any offer to drop the case that does not virtually meet terms that she considers absolutely fair.

Those who believe the banker acknowledges that Guy is his son and entitled to share in the trust fund left by Stillman's father; the making of a cash settlement that will provide Mrs. Stillman with at least \$500,000 a year and the paying of all expenses of the case by Stillman.
Following the disclosure that "Flo" Leeds, dramatic figure in the Stillman triangle, was hiding in town, detectives were stationed at the home of her parents, the Lawlors, at 1766 Amsterdam avenue.

The officers are prepared to serve Mrs. Leeds with a subpoena which would compel her to appear at the referee's hearing in Poughkeepsie tomorrow.

'RED PRIEST' FLEES BEFORE BARRAGE OF VEGETABLES

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Paris, and kept my trousers pressed and everything like that." (Mr. White speaks most impressively with an extremely broad "A." When he says "and" it sounds exactly like "awnd" and he appears to say "awnd" a lot.)
Said he:
"One of the first things that my wife said to me after she arrived here on my farm was: 'It seems to me that country life in America is far different from country life in France.'"
HELD HER DOWN IN CHAIR.
He was asked about her charges that he threw her to the floor and called her a cow and generally was cruel and abusive. Said he:
"Was working in these overalls one morning when she came to me and asked me to find the eggs. She couldn't find the nest. I went and found the eggs and then went into the house to show her how to cook them in American style. She objected because I was wearing overalls in the house."
"I tried to explain to her that I couldn't be getting into and out of my overalls, and washing my face and putting on a collar every time I came into the house. But she wouldn't pay any attention."
"So I took her and held her down in the chair."
That was a week ago last Thursday when Mrs. White left her husband and sought refuge in the Marlboro Mountain House.

The questioner said:
"Maybe that is where Mrs. White got those black and blue arms that she mentions in the complaint."
Mr. White smiled and nodded, and said in his well modulated broad "A" voice, in which he had spent an hour explaining his theories of socialism and how he is a "Municipalist," and how he thinks that cities ultimately will come to be the center of governments instead of countries—just as in those good old days of Rome, Athens, Florence and the rest—"Yes, maybe that is how she acquired black and blue marks on her arms."

He continued:
"There was another incident—the last one. She had a habit of sleeping late. I used to expostulate with her. I went up to her room on this occasion and picked her up from her bed and carried her into her boudoir."

GIRL-WIFE SAYS HER ROMANCE WAS KILLED BY ABUSE

Mrs. Bouck White Tells How Husband Beat Her Shortly After Wedding.

MARLBORO, N. Y., May 31.—Mrs. Andree Emilie Simon White, who is suing Bouck White for annulment on the ground of fraud and cruelty, gave her first interview here today. It came to a reporter through an interpreter.

The French bride outlined her life from the day of her birth in the Latin quarter of Paris twenty years ago down to the day that her love dream with White ended.
She revealed that White proposed to her three days after their first wedding, a very poor boy from a poor family. Here's the bride's story:
"I was born November 21, 1900. Six years later my family removed to Rheims, the birthplace of my mother."

"We lived there until 1915. Then the German Krupps leveled our home. We lost all we had and fled to Paris. I became a student of chemistry in the Latin quarter."

MET AT MARDI GRAS.
"On February 11, 1921, there was a Mardi Gras in our neighborhood. During the celebration I was walking in a crowded street with a friend, Mrs. Carman Levy. Near the Palais Royal a man accidentally jostled me. He raised his hat and was profuse in his apologies."
"It was carnival time, so Mrs. Levy spoke to him. Then she introduced me. He asked if he might call at my home."

"I agreed. The next day he paid a visit to us. My parents were profoundly impressed with him. Three days later he called again, and on this visit he proposed to me."
"When I told my parents they urged me to accept. I did so, Mr. White wanted to be married that very day. But my people suggested a wait of two weeks. In the interval between our engagement and marriage he was a constant caller at my home."

"MARRIAGE A NIGHTMARE."
"In this time he told me he was in France to organize parties of Americans to tour the battlefields. But since then I have believed little he has said. I think he is a hypocrite."

"My marriage—it was not a dream, but a nightmare—was performed in the American Episcopal Church. We are Catholics, but at Mr. White's request the wedding was performed there."

"The night of the wedding we left for Cherbourg, where we booked second class passage on the Aquitania. On the fourth day out, we were at dinner—my husband, myself, an Italian, and a German."

The talk turned to the proper sphere of women. My husband, in his positive way, declared:
"A woman should always lead a very secluded life." The Italian disagreed with him. So did I. An argument ensued. We exchanged high words, but it passed.

"Later, however, in our cabin, my husband gave me a terrible scolding. 'Arriving in New York I thought the city rather artificial. We went to the Hotel Holly. My husband took me for one ride out a Fifth avenue bus, and for one walk at night up Broadway. We did not go to any theater.'

"Many friends of his came to visit us. Among them was Kilburn Scott, an English artist. It was he who first aroused my suspicions that my husband's politics were not those of most Americans."

"We stayed in New York eight days, and on the afternoon of the eighth day we came up here. He had engaged two men to do the work. They carried the luggage from the station to the farm. They looked the farm over. Then they left and never came back."

"I found the house was filthy. The next morning Mr. White came into my bedroom at 6 o'clock and ordered me to get up. I thought he was joking. I laughed. He, however, became furious and dragged me from the bed and told me I would have to obey all his commands."

"I finally got up, and he ordered me to clean up the house. I knew little about such work and I told him so. He turned to me and said: 'You do it.'"

"Then came the Thursday morning (when she left him). I wanted to dispose of some egg shells. I threw them in the stove, where I thought they would burn up. This made him furious. He seized me and threw me to the floor. I scratched his face. Then I left. I never could go back."

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